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REMARKS

Applicant has corrected some minor errors in the specification and has cancelled all pending claims without prejudice and has presented new claims 24-39 to more clearly define the invention.

Applicant submits that claims 24-39 are inventive and non-obvious. Applicant further submits that claims 24-39 are patentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,049,530 to Petersen et al. and U.S. Patent No. 6,885,677 to Klevans taken individually by themselves or when combined with TCP/IP Tutorial and Technical Overview by Rodriguez, Adolfo et al.

Rejection of Claims 1-6, 9, and 13-14 under 35 USC §103(a)

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-6, 9, and 13-14 as being unpatentable over Petersen (U.S. Patent 6,049,530) in view of Rodriguez (TCP/IP Tutorial and Technical Overview; Rodriguez, Adolfo et al.). The claims having been cancelled, the rejection is now moot.

Rejection of Claims 15, 17, and 18 under 35 USC §103(a)

The Examiner has rejected Claims 15, 17, and 18 as being unpatentable over Petersen taken alone. The claims having been cancelled, the rejection is now moot.

Rejection of Claims 16 and 19 under 35 USC §103(a)

The Examiner has rejected Claims 16 and 19 as being unpatentable over Petersen in view of Rodriguez. The claims having been cancelled, the rejection is now moot.

Rejection of Claims 20-23 under 35 USC §103(a)

The Examiner has rejected Claims 20-23 as being unpatentable over Klevans (U.S. 6,885,677) in view of Petersen and Rodriguez. The claims having been cancelled, the rejection is now moot.

Rejection of Claims 7-8 and 10-12 under 35 USC §103(a)

The Examiner has rejected Claims 7-8 and 10-12 as being unpatentable over the combination of Petersen, Rodriguez, and Klevans. The claims having been cancelled, the rejection is now moot.

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Conclusion

No fee is believed due for this submission. However, Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to debit any required fee from Deposit Account No. 501593, in the name of Borden Ladner Gervais LLP. The Commissioner is further authorized to debit any additional amount required, and to credit any overpayment to the above-noted deposit account.

It is submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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